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## **Changes**

### 11. Summary:

- Administrative change, per Department Notice 2013\_08\_094: The
  Office of Shared Services (HR/SS) and the Office of the Human
  Resources Shared Services Provider (HR/HRSP) will merge and
  continue operations as HR/SS, effective Monday, August 19. The
  merger and reorganization were recommended and approved with the
  objectives of reducing the duplication of efforts between the two
  offices, improving efficiency and effectiveness, and leveraging both
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